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Miscellaneous Items.
At the Crystal Palace, London, a show of cats, the first upon record, has just closed. It was open only a short time, and "the crush" was tremendous. Cats which had hitherto been regarded as a nuisance, except by a much respected class, all at once became a subject of exciting interest. Prizes were offered to the extent of \$258, and there were one hundred and seventy competitors, including many varieties, from a wild product of his native mountains, exhibited by the Duke of Sutherland, to the pug, black-nosed Siamese, from the blue-eyed beauties of Persia to the common house-top rangers of London.

The Emperor and Empress of Brazil, while in London, deputed themselves in the simplest manner possible, lodging plainly at a hotel, rising early—frequently as early as five o'clock—breakfasting at once, and doing all the sight-seeing of the metropolis at an early hour. Beside the Emperor, an uncommonly fine linguist and well up in science, he is one of the handsomest monarchs of the time. He is also the legitimate descendant of the three great royal houses of Europe—the Braganza, Bourbon, and Hapsburg. He is probably the most thoroughly educated, and certainly the most popular, of reigning sovereigns.

One of the humorous papers has a very funny cut. It illustrates this scene: An old gent is walking in his garden. Presently the milkman comes along outside the high garden wall, and gives his customary yell. Old gent hears something, but, being very deaf, is unable to make out just what is wanted; so he puts his ear trumpet in place, and elevates the bell end over the edge of the wall, exclaiming, "here! Milkman takes it for a dish and empties a quart of milk into the old gentleman's ear, and goes on about his business."

Charlotte Cushman, who has sufficiently recovered her health to enable her to reappear upon the stage, is definitely engaged to play six weeks at Booth's Theatre in New York. She will appear about the middle of September as Queen Katherine, in Shakespeare's "Henry VIII."

Rev. Dr. Littlefield, of the Church of England, will arrive in this country soon and domicile in Boston. He will deliver a series of lectures in the principal cities of the United States on the present position of the Episcopal Church. He is one of the advanced Ritualists of that Church.

Louis XIII, speaking to Bassompierre, his ambassador to the Court of Spain, remarked: "You cannot imagine how I laughed when I heard that you entered Madrid on a mule—just to think—a jackass on a donkey!" "Very true, sir, but you must remember I represented you at that time."

THE LITTLE ONES.—"Mother," said a little girl who was engaged in making her doll an apron. "I believe I will be a duchess when I grow up." "How do you ever expect to become a duchess, my daughter?" her mother asked. "Why, by marrying a Dutchman to be sure," replied the girl.

A LITTLE VAGRANT boy, brought up in a London police court, in reply to questions, said: "I don't live nowhere. I'm not got no friends. I sleep at night under the show-board again the Lyceum Theatre. Sometimes I gits under other boards."

A LITTLE GIRL came into my house one day and some apple parings lay on a plate on the table. After sitting a while she said: "I smell apples!" "Yes," I replied. "I guess you smell those apple parings on the plate."

"No!" no!" said she. "Tain't them I smell; I smell whole apples!"

The rising generation in Iowa is hopefully bright. At one of the Sunday-schools in an town last Sunday the superintendent, while reviewing the lesson, and was talking of the verse reading "Let your loins be girdled and your lights burning." He asked the question, "Why are we commanded to 'gird our loins'?" One little, sharp shaver sung out, "To keep your breeches up."

A BRIGHT little boy about four years of age, son of a clergyman, was at your correspondent's house one evening with his parents, and I gave him a couple of five cent pieces. He hid them on the table, and putting his finger on one said, "This one I am going to give to the heathen, and the other one I am going to keep myself." He played with them awhile, till finally one of them rolled away and he could not find it. "Well," said I, "my little lad, which one have you lost?" "Oh," said he, "I have lost the one I was going to give to the heathen."

PEACHES.—The Medical Independent cautions persons against eating peaches in the evening, asserting that they are depressive to the circulation, and exhaust the system, owing to the prussic acid they contain. Speaking of peaches, says an exchange, we would inform our lady readers of the method of preparing a dish, which we think will be new to most of them. Here it is: Take good size free stone peaches, wipe them with a towel, halve them, and place them flat side down in hot butter or lard. Let them fry to a nice brown, then turn and fill the seed cavity with sugar, which by the time the fruit is properly coated will be melted and form with the juice of the peach a rich syrup. Serve up hot, and if you don't like them you need not repeat the experiment. Most persons think the dish a superb one.

This may be a very fine way to "cook peaches," but the idea of "peaches fried in lard or butter, and eaten hot," is not a very pleasant one, to persons of an unsophisticated taste.

A LITTLE TRAVELIST of fashionable correspondence was published some years ago, which put in an amusing light the absurdity both of writing pet names and of fashionable precocity. The writers are supposed to be young ladies of eight years or thereabouts—such young ladies as are now figuring in "children's balls," at the watering-places, if the "correspondents" truly report. The first note ran thus: "Miss Maggie Smith's compliments to Miss Maggie Jones, and desires the pleasure of her company this evening. Refreshments at eleven." The response was: "Miss Maggie Jones's compliments to Miss Maggie Smith, with regrets that engagements preclude the pleasure of acceptance. She is to be whipped at seven, and sent to bed without her supper at eight."

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